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HOME NEWS

—George Meyer is having 67 cattle and 110 hogs fed by B. S. Cousin, six miles north of Oregon.

—The Holt County Press men say he is not "green enough" to pay \$40 or a newspaper head. But as he is "green enough" to do \$60 of advertising for nothing and can't see the "catch" in his contract even after it is pointed out to him, we think the patrons of that paper would be justified in paying twice \$40 for a new head for the champagne who edits it.

—James G. Clark, the poet-vocalist, is giving concerts this week, through our neighboring towns in Kansas, Troy, White Cloud, etc. We are sorry he did not include Oregon in his list of appointments. He has recently published a new poem, which we consider one of the most beautiful he has ever written. If we can possibly find room we will publish it in a few weeks. The title of it is "Going Home."

—The Savannah Reporter, which is one of the best printed papers in the State, has the following in regard to THE HOLT COUNTY SENTINEL: "The publishers of the Holt County Sentinel have enlarged their paper and changed its name to THE HOLT COUNTY SENTINEL, with an improving heading. The publishers are live, energetic newspaper men, and their efforts should be substantially seconded by the community, who will be apt to derive the most benefit from the change. We shall miss the old Sentinel."

—Elsewhere, we publish to-day the prospectus of the New York Evening Post. This paper is now in its eighty-first year, and has long been recognized as the leading periodical representing the free trade wing of the Republican party. It is also noted for the care exercised in the preparation of its editorials—being free from the slipshod writing too frequently found in the daily press, and more nearly than any other, approximating magazine literature.

—In pleasing contrast to the envious and jealous course of the other papers in the county toward this paper are the following many utterances from the Cornish Herald: "THE HOLT COUNTY SENTINEL is a well printed seven column quarto, or a fifty-six column paper, and is a credit and an honor to Holt county. The management has not changed, but remains Messrs. Davenport and Dobyns. The subscription price has been increased from \$1.50 to \$2.00. The best wishes of the Herald are heartily extended."

—The Des Moines Register says that a country weekly cannot be published at less than \$2.00 per year except at a loss. That is a truth that many country publishers are finding out who adopted the lower rates. Two dollars for a country newspaper is a fair price, and the only price that should govern country rates. Of course this refers to papers that are really true to name—country newspapers, and which give the news in good shape, and plenty of it. Many of the publishers who changed their rates for the lower one are coming back, convinced that if they would make a fair percentage to pay the cost and leave a little profit, they must receive two dollars a year for each copy. The Maryville Republican has lowered its price a year or two ago, now sees its mistake but complains that it finds it a good deal easier to lower the price than to raise it again. Horace Greeley said, "the way to resume is to resume." Paraphrasing this, we say the way to raise is to raise. Give the people a paper that is worth two dollars, and, with few exceptions, they will pay it. Of course one must calculate that some subscribers will be so unreasonable as to refuse to pay the publisher a fair living price and he must content himself to lose them. But the great mass of the people are disposed to be fair and reasonable, and when they see that the publisher is working hard and trying to give them a good paper they will not quit taking it on account of a mere trifle of a difference of one cent a week in the price. We are now passing through the ordeal alluded to by the Republican and we are finding even less trouble than we anticipated. We have yet to find the first person who refuses to admit that THE HOLT COUNTY SENTINEL is worth two dollars a year, and every one sees that it is better worth two dollars than the old Sentinel was worth one dollar and a half. We believe that in a short time all those papers which reduced their rates will return to the old price.

—Have your eye on the stove as well as to where you empty ashes and cinders, as this is a bad time for a big fire.

—Strong doses of advertising should be administered to the business that betrays symptoms of ill-housness.

—We regret to learn that Mrs. B. S. Cousin, six miles north of Oregon, is seriously ill. She is threatened with typhoid fever.

—A Rock Port farmer has invented a trick with a hole in it. He sold rolls of butter that had been made hollow, filled with water, and frozen solid.

—Senator Dungan came up from the capitol on a brief visit last Saturday. He returned on Sunday night, accompanied by Mrs. Dungan, who will probably stay with him at Jefferson City during the remainder of the session.

—Colds in the head are always in order. Some one recommends an easy cure, if attended to promptly, a teaspoonful of pulverized borax dissolved in a pint of hot water. When tepid, snuff some up the nostrils two or three times a day, or use the dry powdered borax like snuff, taking a pinch as often as required.

—Every subscriber now on our lists will, by reading our premium offers, see how easily a nice premium can be obtained with a very little effort. Get your neighbor to forward his subscription with yours, and for the little trouble in asking him to do so you will receive any one of the premiums we offer for two subscribers that you may select.

—The following is said to be a cheap and true barometer: Put a small quantity of pulverized alum in a long half-ounce bottle, and fill it with alcohol. When the atmosphere is clear and dry the spirits will be as clear as crystal, but on the approach of rain or bad weather the alum will rise in the form of a spiral cloud, which is an infallible indication of rain or bad weather.

—We see by our exchanges that during the present winter a number of towns and small cities have been experimenting with the Holly system of heating houses, and in every instance the reports are satisfactory. From Burlington, Iowa, comes a particularly good report as some forty citizens of that place are now heating their dwellings and stores by steam generated from one common boiler. Nearly all the business houses in Oregon might be heated in this manner; if the owners would club together, and they would save money, and have their premises much better heated, by doing so. One boiler, centrally located, would heat every room from the Postoffice to the Bank. This is a matter worth looking into by our citizens, and we hope to see something of this kind in operation in our city by another winter.

—Physicians now pretty generally agree that a large majority of the cases of Diphtheria arise from defective drainage or cellars in which there is a stinging vegetation. A recent issue of the Chicago Times devotes half a page to diphtheria and its causes. During the week ending January 1, 81, 34 deaths occurred in that city from diphtheria, and upon an examination of the drainage at the homes where the deaths have occurred, defective and improper drainage was invariably found. It seems to be the theory of the health officers of nearly all cities where this disease is raging, that the main cause is bad drainage and impure cellars. Whether this theory is correct or not, it will do no harm for the drainage of every home to be made as pure as possible, and the cellars thoroughly cleaned of all decaying vegetable matter and purified by a liberal use of lime.

—We inadvertently omitted, last week to mention the death of Chas. B. Wilkinson, which occurred in Denver, Colorado, on the 7th. All the old citizens of northwest Missouri know him. He was the founder of the St. Joseph Herald and its editor during its palmy days. Few men of his day could write more tenderly or beautifully upon subjects which touch the sensibilities; yet, knowing him as we did, we could never believe that his pathos was sincere. He was brilliant, but not deep; he was a free-lance in politics; by nature a pessimist, he sought the reputation of an optimist; and when at length his true character was exposed he sank so deep to ever rise again. Mere brilliancy—the power of writing with a pen stamped in gall—proving powerless to lift him, and after lingering a year or two amid the scenes of his former triumphs, he wandered off to Denver, where he made another unavailing effort to retrieve himself. Falling in this heart-broken—no lay down and died.

—Rev. Mr. Showalter will preach in Oregon next Sabbath morning and night.

—Married, by the Rev. Mr. Bowers, at his residence, January 15th, 1881. Mr. John M. Donovan to Miss Martha J. Keller. Both of Holt county.

—Ministers in this State are agitating the matter of asking the legislature to so change the law of Missouri regarding marriages as to require the parties to procure a license from the county clerk.

—Our public schools—may their influence spread until statesmen use grammar and dimes are dead.

—Until no one dare say, in this land of the free, "He's done" for the "dill" or "it's 'her' for 'it's 'she'."

—And until the Holt County Press stops saying "we're."

—Considerable demand is springing up for small farms and persons that desire to sell would do well to let it be known through a newspaper. If you have a horn blow it. If you have anything to sell advertise it and let the public know it.

—There is scarcely a doubt, we think, that the legislature this session will change the time for assessment of property from the first of August to the first of June. This will be done in the interest of farmers, who will thus escape taxation on grain for the year it is grown. The new law will only be just and fair.

—Many letters and dispatches from Jefferson City which we find in our exchanges since the meeting of the legislature, indicate that there is a strong temperance element in both branches of that body, and that it is almost certain an amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in this State will be submitted to the people at the next general election.

—How to treat frost bites is just now a very important question with many people. A lady, who evidently knows what she is talking about, writes: "If any part of the body gets frozen, the very worst thing to do is to apply heat directly. Keep away from the fire. Use snow if you can get it; if not, the coldest possible water. Last winter our little boy of five years froze his feet while out coasting at a considerable distance from the house. He cried all the way home, and the case seemed pretty bad. I brought a big pan full of snow, and put his feet into it, rubbing them with snow. But my hands could not stand the cold. I was alarmed to see him keep his feet in the snow so long, but he could not bear them out of it. It was half an hour before he could take them out, and then the pain was all gone, and when I had wiped them dry, and rubbed them a little, he was entirely comfortable, put on his stockings and shoes, and went out to play. He never afterwards had any trouble with his feet on account of this freezing. His sister got her feet extremely cold, and put them at once to the fire. Her case at first was not so bad as her brother's, but the result was much worse. Her feet were very tender; all winter, and suffered from chilblains. Her toes had a swollen, purple look, and she had to take a larger size of shoes."

—A swindle frequently on farmers, and occasional on others, was illustrated the other day in the United States Circuit Court in Indiana, in the case of Woodbury and others against Kistler. A couple of agents of the "Windmill Pump Company," of Chicago, agreed with Kistler to send him certain machines for which, on their receipt, he would give his note for \$540. The note was drawn, so the agents had ready to send on the goods "came" hand. One of the agents kindly furnished an envelope, ostensibly enclosed the note in it and, having sealed it, handed it to Kistler. When the latter, getting suspicious, opened the envelope a few days later, he found some waste paper, which the swindler had adroitly substituted for the note, which he afterwards sold to "innocent" parties in the persons of Woodbury and others, who in turn brought suit for the amount of the note. These, in the character of "innocents," of course expected a favorable verdict; but the sympathies of the jury were so strongly in favor of the guiled Kistler that they rendered a verdict in his favor. We have, within the year, seen accounts of similar verdicts in like cases in many parts of the country, especially in the West. Swindlers of this sort are quite common, the mode of carrying them out differing, of course, a trifle in each case. The "Western Medical Works," of Chicago, are said to use notes almost identical with that employed by the "Windmill Pump Company," so that it is by no means improbable that both concerns are "worked" by the same "paragry."

—Rev. G. A. McKinlay will preach at the Highland school house next Sabbath morning and night.

—Letters received from Dr. Godin, who is attending medical lectures and visiting the hospitals in Chicago, report him as having a splendid time.

—The Nodaway County Wood Growers Association will meet at Maryville on the 22d inst., at which time all persons interested in sheep raising are requested to be present.

—Rev. Mr. Miller will preach at New Point on next Sabbath, morning and evening. The morning service will open with a short sermon to the children.

—Every temperance organization, church and Sunday school in the county is requested to send delegates to the meeting to be held in the M. E. church in this city next Tuesday, the 25th inst., for the purpose of organizing a permanent county temperance society.

—This from the St. Joseph Saturday Democrat: "The Holt County Sentinel comes to us enlarged, changed in form and name. Has a very attractive head. We hope our neighbors will meet with a hearty support and the patronage which their enterprise merits."

—Our Democratic friends of the Rock Port Mail have these kindly words for THE HOLT COUNTY SENTINEL: "We have received THE HOLT COUNTY SENTINEL, the seven column quarto which takes the place of the Holt County Sentinel. It is a slashing sheet and we predict that as soon as Bro. Davenport gets everything in good running order he will make it one of the best papers in the Northwest in every respect."

—We have here a receipt for preventing the bursting of barrels and other vessels containing water during cold weather. Try it, and if it works you can pay us for the information. It is that a size of a half peck measure, placed in the bottom of a rain barrel, or other vessel liable to freeze, will prevent them from bursting. It may seem somewhat astonishing, but the remedy is declared to be infallible.

—The St. Joseph Gazette has its eyes open. It says: "The paper that was on a called the Holt County Sentinel has put on a new and gaudy dress, but it has taken at the same time a homelier name and call itself THE HOLT COUNTY SENTINEL. Its dress may make its country rivals envious." Envious? Well, "we should remark" why, during the past three weeks, Housness has chewed up more than four pounds of twenty-penny nail!

—Capt. Wm. Kaucher has accepted the position of book-keeper and general purchasing agent for the East Forest Flooring Mill at Forest City. The business of this mill has increased so greatly that Mr. Adams finds it too heavy a burden for one man to attend to both the milling department and the business management. Capt. Kaucher is emphatically the right man in the right place and the Company have been fortunate in securing his services. He and Adams will make a strong team.

—Readers of newspapers should remember that without advertisements the cost of the newspapers they read would be at least double what they now are. This alone should be sufficient argument to why all readers should patronize those who advertise, but it is strengthened by the fact that advertisers vie with each other in competition for trade which cannot be said of those who do not, and the result is that the best goods for the lowest prices are obtained from the merchants who assist in making it possible for publishers to present a good, readable paper cheap to the public. As a matter of justice to all concerned, we hope our readers will remember our advertisers when making purchases.

—The true way to educate children is to teach them the dignity of labor, either of brains or hands, or both; to direct their studies with a view to practical utility; to give a firm broad foundation, and upon that you may rear what superstructure you will. Teach your daughter the mysteries of housewifery and plain sewing, give her a thorough instruction in the elementary branches, take care that she can read well, speak and write her native language understandingly, and work a practical business problem for her father; then if circumstances will permit, let her capabilities bound her acquisitions. But even here the practical should not be lost sight of. A knowledge of current events is of more value than the acquisition of a dead language, and a knowledge of the laws and customs of our own and contemporary governments is of more worth than the lore of Grecian mythology.

—The beautiful snow is giving place to the horrible mud.

—During Professor III's recent visit to Ohio he stayed all night with his old friend, General Garfield, who, he says, is entirely unspoiled by his elevation to the Presidency.

—The small pox has broken out in several of the towns in Southern Iowa. The winter is the season when this disease makes its appearance and we may soon have a visitation from it in Holt county.

—We still need the services of another good agent to canvass for subscribers to THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER. Any one who has a little snap and "git up" can make handsome wages at this work. The inducements we offer are extremely liberal. Call and see us.

—Davenport & Dobyns have bought the brick building in which THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER is now published. In the course of a few weeks the printing office will be removed to the first floor, and the second floor will be partitioned off into rooms and occupied by Mr. Dobyns as a dwelling.

—The Maryville Republican has the following kindly words for us: "The Holt County Sentinel comes to us with its name changed to 'THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER,' and enlarged to a seven column quarto. The proprietors of THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER show commendable zeal in their enterprise. They are publishing a whopping paper. May they succeed!"

—There will be a primary meeting of the temperance workers of Oregon and vicinity at the M. E. church, on to-morrow (Saturday) night, for the purpose of organizing the people of this vicinity, with a view of a permanent county organization to be perfected next Tuesday. All temperance workers are earnestly urged to be present. By request of Rev. Showalter, Rev. Miller and Mr. Samuel Hershberger, committee.

—It is a universally admitted fact, nowadays, that a live newspaper exerts a potent and powerful influence giving character and reputation to the town and county in which it is published. Let a man pick up a newspaper that is carelessly edited, poorly printed, containing scarcely any local matter, and showing no signs of life and prosperity in its home advertising columns, and the conclusion is irresistible that the town in which that paper is published is dying, not a dead but upon the other hand let the paper be filled with accounts of local happenings and public enterprises, and contain a generous show in its advertising columns, of business, thrift, energy and goal-headedness, and the reader at once sets the town down as being alive and vigorous.

—The most unfortunate day in the career of any young man is the day on which he fancies there is some better way to make money than to earn it; for from that feeling spring many extravagant and visionary plans which are indulged in for the purpose of gaining a livelihood without labor. When a young man becomes thoroughly infected with this feeling, he is ready to adopt any means for the accomplishment of his objects, and, if he is foiled in his efforts, upon the crest of the wave which he has already mounted, and in full view, is the temptation to crimes, to shield him from the disgrace which he thinks must inevitably follow in the wake of defeat. To those he yields, and the first he realizes he finds himself the violator of the law, and criminal in the eyes of the community, and the inmate of a prison, waiting trial, all brought about for the want of a little manly firmness in the outset of life to prompt him to earn an avocation where the penny earned would bring with it its sure reward.

—Watch the children's feet. Life long discomfort or sudden death, often comes to children through the neglect or carelessness of the parents. A child should never be allowed to go to sleep with cold feet; the thing to be last attended to is to see that the feet are dry and warm. Neglect of this has often resulted in a dangerous attack of croup, diphtheria, or fatal sore throat. Always on coming home from school, or entering the house from a visit or errand in rainy, muddy or thawing weather, the child should remove its shoes, and the mother herself should ascertain herself whether the stockings are the least bit damp. If they are, they should be taken off, the feet held before the fire till perfectly dry, and another pair of stockings and another pair of shoes put on. The reverse shoes and stockings should be kept where they are good and dry, so as to be ready at a minute's notice.

—The Taft boys are being tried at Maryville for the murder of their father. They applied for a change of venue on the ground that Judge Kelley was prejudiced against them; but it was finally agreed that the case should be tried before Judge Howell of the 28th District, who came to Maryville for that purpose.

—We this week add a new and interesting department to THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER, under the head of "Children's Corner." This will be devoted to subjects which interest the little folks and will be found highly entertaining to them, as well as to older people who share in all that delights the children, as every one should. This department will be a permanent feature of THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER hereafter.

—Two extra fine Plymouth Rock cocks for sale at Two Dollars apiece, which is less than one-third the price which would be charged for such fowls by the regular poultry breeders. George P. Luckhardt and the editor of this paper last week purchased some Plymouth Rock pullets, no finer than these cocks, which cost them, including express charges, nearly Three Dollars apiece. If you want to see these cocks call on the editor of this paper and they will be shown to you. They are beauties.

—The excessive cold this winter has caused more trouble and inconvenience to printers than to men of any other class of business. To do good printing a warm room is absolutely essential. In this respect THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER has been peculiarly unfortunate. Its mechanical department is located in a second story, with an unplastered ceiling, beneath, and with windows on the east, west, north and south side. During the coldest period, on days of publication, it was impossible, even by the aid of two large stoves, to get the temperature high enough to do good printing. We mention the matter in order that our readers may understand why two or three issues of the paper were so badly printed. To prevent a recurrence of this kind, we have bought the brick building in which the paper is printed and will remove the printing office to the first floor, where, we think, we will have no trouble in warming the room.

—New Point.

Rev. Mr. Miller preaches in our church next Sabbath, morning and evening. It is supposed that he will continue the meetings for several evenings.

Mrs. Cunningham, one mile South-west of New Point, has been very sick for several days past, but at last reports, better.

O. P. Batson, who left his home here last fall and went to Indiana for the improvement of his health, we learn has been greatly improved. He was very low with consumption when he left here. We also learn that he is in mercantile business there.

Robert Morris, one and a half miles north of New Point, is working preparatory to building a fine large barn on his farm.

P. O. Parker Duey from Andrew county was in our town last Saturday evening, and attended prayer meeting here at night escorted by B. F. Praise-water.

William Car on is again on the sick list; complaint ague.

Salomon Kunkel is in full possession of the harness shop here, having bought out A. Schwartz. He is now prepared to do first class work at lowest prices.

Henry Moore has been suffering for several days from rheumatism.

James M. Duncan Jr. returned home last week from a cold visit to his brother in Central Kansas.

Hurray for THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER! It instantly attracts the attention of a who see it.

—Land for Trade.

Twelve hundred and fifty (1,250) acres of heavily timbered pine land in Oregon county Mo., seven miles north of Alton, the county seat. The timber (Pine) on this land is as large and fine as can be found in the State, and is worth much more than is asked for the land. After the timber is removed, the land will make one or several fine sheep or fruit farms. It is finely located on Eleven Points river and is mostly upland—none of it being swampy. All or a part of this land is offered for trade for property in Holt or Atchison county. All the land has perfect title. Any further information may be obtained by applying to the editor of THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER.

—STRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by F. M. Sloan, and posted before J. H. Callaway, a justice of the peace in Clay township, Holt county Mo., on the 14th day of November, 1880, one red and white hairy calf about eight months old, unbranded. Appraised at \$7.25. Also, one yearling heifer, mainly red except the head, which is nearly white; marked with a drop and sold in the left ear and a roan and under bit off of the right ear. Appraised at \$5.00. All who find the calves and heifer, please call on F. M. Sloan, at J. H. Callaway's, or J. H. Campbell.

A trip from my New York Book, H. B. Callaway, J. P. Clay township.

—Mound City.

Dance at Mr. Kunkel's last Tuesday night.

A. J. Olin of the firm of Armstrong & Olin, druggists, is again able to be in the store.

At the election of directors of the Holt County Bank, which was held last Monday, the old directors were re-elected.

Mr. Josiah Baker of Saline county is in this vicinity, buying fat cattle for the May market. He has already purchased a great many of the feeding cattle about here.

Mr. Robert S. Dunn has purchased the building in which "Fred's" shoe shop recently was, and has a boot and shoe shop in it.

Dr. Saville of Oregon has been in town for a few days past. He talks of locating among us with his family.

Jas. Criswell has bought out the Durham property and is now serving "Lee's" old customers. He was quite sick while last week, but is again well. We expect him to fill Lee's place fully.

Mr. "Clair" Feazer, son of Capt. Feazer, our hardware man, was married to a Miss Hutton last Thursday. One by one they leave us. Mr. Robert Martin, on the same day, was married to a Miss Erwin, of Iowa.

A. Cramel reports favorably of his physician, Paul Castor, under whose treatment he now is at Ottumwa, Iowa. We all hope that he may be restored to health.

Mr. Jonas Elliott intends leaving us soon and going on to his farm some eight miles north of here.

Lee Durham is out of the restaurant business, but does not expect to quit business entirely. He contemplates entering into an entirely new business soon, and one that we stand in much need of. We will not now say what it is, but it is what the town greatly needs.

Con-table Clark has just returned from a visit to his father in Iowa.

Mr. Ed McVey contracted the sale of 100 head of fat cattle Saturday. We have not learned whether the purchasers were able to complete the purchase or not.

The case of Knowles vs Lease was tried to-day in "Squire Wilkinson's court." Judgment for plaintiff in the sum of \$7.50.

The second issue of THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER, though late in arriving, is on hand. We have glanced over it and read a good portion of it. The print good. The inside is uncommonly well printed and the selections excellent. In this hurried reading I have given this issue, of all of which are good and worthy of careful reading: "My Influence;" "The Sound of Thunder;" "My Rights;" (a poem); "Length of the Mississippi;" "To Public School Teachers;" "More Thorough Education;" "Gladstone's Accomplishments." There is material for the preacher, the teacher, the doctor, the lawyer, the farmer, the mechanic, the humorous, the grave, the old, the young. We are pleased with the change and the decided improvement.

The Temperance Union held a meeting last Monday night. There were speaking, readings and music. Some put on duty were absent, others not prepared. A committee was appointed to circulate a remonstrance against granting saloon license, and present same to our county court.

BERT.

MINERAL LANDS FOR SALE.

A Chance for Speculators.

To an intelligent and honest man who will take hold of and develop the property, an undivided interest is offered for sale in four hundred and fifty-five acres of mineral land, located in Washington county, Mo., about sixty miles from St. Louis and about fifteen miles from the Iron Mountain Railroad. This land is only three miles from the celebrated Palmer Lead Mines, and is on the same ridge with them, below them. The former State Geologist says that the same vein of ore which is found in the Palmer Lead Mines undoubtedly runs under this land; and competent judges pronounce it one of the most valuable tracts of mineral land in the State. The owner is so confident that a fortune is there, seventy or eighty feet from the surface, ready to be taken out, that he will not dispose of his entire interest in any portion of it; but if he can find a perfectly honest and energetic man, who will go there and sink shafts and thus find out the amount, quality, size of vein, etc., of the lead ore, he will sell an undivided interest or will trade an undivided interest for unencumbered property in northwest Missouri. For further information apply to the editor of THE HOLT COUNTY PAPER.